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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:37 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 25, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3736.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

U.S. EUROPEAN COMMAND AND U.S. JOINT FORCES COMMAND

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States European Command and United States Joint Forces Command, after receiving testimony from General Bantz J. Craddock, USA, Commander, United States European Command, and General James N. Mattis, USMC, Commander, United States Joint Forces Command, both of the Department of Defense.

BANK SUPERVISION AND REGULATION MODERNIZING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine modernizing bank supervision and regulation, after receiving testimony from William R. Attridge, Connecticut River Community Bank, Wethersfield, on behalf of the Independent Community Bankers of America; Daniel A. Mica, Credit Union National Association, Washington, D.C.; Aubrey B. Patterson, BancorpSouth, Inc., Tupelo, Mississippi, on behalf of the American Bankers Association; and Christopher Whalen, Institutional Risk Analytics, Croton-on-Hudson, New York; and Gail Hillebrand, Consumers Union, Yonkers, New York.

NOMINATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Thomas L. Strickland, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, after the nominee, who was in-

troduced by Senator Udall (CO), testified and answered questions on his own behalf.

THREE MILE ISLAND

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety concluded a hearing to examine Three Mile Island, focusing on lessons learned over the past 30 years, after receiving testimony from Dale E. Klein, Chairman, Gregory B. Jaczko, Peter B. Lyons, and Kristine L. Svinicki, each a Commissioner, and Harold R. Denton, Former Director, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, all of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Dick Thornburgh, former Pennsylvania Governor, K&L Gates LLP, and Marvin S. Fertel, Nuclear Energy Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; and Peter A. Bradford, Vermont Law School Institute for Energy and the Environment, South Roy-alton.

GLOBAL HUNGER CHALLENGES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine alleviating global hunger, focusing on challenges and opportunities for United States leadership, after receiving testimony from Dan Glickman, former Secretary of Agriculture; Catherine Bertini, former Executive Director of the United Nations World Food Programme, Syracuse, New York; David Beckmann, Bread for the World, Washington, D.C.; Robert Paarlberg, Wellesley College, Wellesley, Massachusetts; Edwin C. Price, Norman Borlaug Institute for International Agriculture, College Station, Texas; and Gebisa Ejeta, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Richard Rahul Verma, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, who was introduced by Senator Reid, Melanne Verveer, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador at Large for Women's Global Issues, who was introduced by Senators Casey and Hutchison, and Esther Brimmer, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for International Organization Affairs, who was introduced by Representative Norton, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

INSURANCE MARKET REFORM

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine addressing insurance market reform in national health reform, after receiving testimony from Sandy Praeger, Kansas Commissioner of Insurance, Kansas City, on